



Delaware Division of Fish and Wildlife Group Volunteer Application Form



Group/Organization: _____

Contact Name: _____

Address: _____
(Street) (City) (State) (Zip)

Phone: _____ **Fax** _____ **E-mail** _____

Number of members interested in volunteering: _____

Please describe your group and its focus: _____

★**OBJECTIVE:** _____ Team Building _____ Special Project _____ Educational
_____ Community Service _____ Other: _____

★**COMMITMENT:**

- Short-term Project _____ 1-2 Hours _____ ½ Day _____ 1 Day _____ Several Days
- On-going Partnership _____ Weekly _____ Monthly _____ Several times per year
_____ Entire project

★**GROUP CONSIDERATIONS** (please check all that apply and explain)

- ☐ Age ☐ Physical ☐ Health ☐ Mobility ☐ Other

Please explain: _____

★**AVAILABILITY** Please indicate the best day(s) and time(s) for your group

- ☐ Mon ☐ Tues ☐ Wed ☐ Thurs ☐ Fri ☐ Sat ☐ Sun **OR**
- ☐ Any Weekday ☐ Any Weekend ☐ AM Only ☐ PM Only **OR**
- Specific Date(s): _____ Specific Time(s): _____

★**SKILLS & INTERESTS** (please select area(s) most interesting to you/your group)

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| _____ Adopt-a-Wetland Program | _____ Invasive Plant Control | _____ Special Events |
| _____ Trail Maintenance | _____ Building/Facility Repair | _____ Gardening/Planting |
| _____ Nature Center | _____ Construction of Wildlife
Nest Structures | _____ Other: _____ |

_____ Specific Program: _____

**The Division of Fish & Wildlife has a variety of volunteer-based programs that can be viewed on our website at www.fw.delaware.gov/volunteers.*

★**LOCATION** AREA WHERE YOU WOULD MOST LIKE TO VOLUNTEER (Please check all that apply)

_____ New Castle County _____ Kent County _____ Sussex County

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Division of Fish and Wildlife volunteer opportunities!

GROUP VOLUNTEER POLICY

Please make certain you have read and agree to the following before signing.

- Groups accepted for volunteer placement will be sent a Group Volunteer Agreement defining the volunteer project(s) prior to the start date of the stated project(s).
- Volunteers agree to perform service without compensation and are not considered employees of the State of Delaware. As such, The Division of Fish and Wildlife does not provide Worker's Compensation or any other insurance coverage for volunteers within the Division of Fish and Wildlife.
- Group Volunteers must identify a Group Contact prior to the start of a project who will serve responsible for the safety and well-being of all group members. The group contact agrees to:
 1. Provide coordination and supervision for group while volunteering.
 2. Ensure all members adhere to Division rules, regulations, and procedures.
 3. Report to The Division of Fish and Wildlife any behavior, actions, or language inappropriate for the established activity, location, or group which may endanger the health and/or well-being of the individual, other group members, or visitors.
- Volunteer Opportunities for **youth aged 18 years and younger** are governed by applicable child labor laws. A responsible adult must accompany volunteers under the age of 18 **at all times** during the stated period of service work, after the aforesaid individual has presented the Group Contact with a signed Parental Consent Form, which must remain on file with the Group Coordinator prior to and during the under-aged individuals period of service.
- The Division of Fish and Wildlife accepts the service of all volunteers with the understanding that approval for such service is at the sole discretion of the Division. The Division cannot guarantee volunteer placement. The Division makes every effort to match volunteer applicants to volunteer opportunities according to the needs of the Division and the interests and availability of the volunteer(s). The Division further reserves the right to withhold any such reason(s) for refusal from the individual or group.
- Volunteers agree that the Division may at any time, for any reason, decide to terminate the volunteer's relationship with the Division. Volunteers may at any time, for any reason, decide to sever the volunteer's relationship with the Division. Notice of such a decision should be communicated as soon as possible to the volunteer's supervisor.

I have read the above policy and understand the risks involved in being a volunteer for the Division of Fish and Wildlife, under the Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control of the State of Delaware. I further understand that transportation to and from project sites may or may not be provided by Division employees who are fully trained to operate Division work vehicles or boats. I understand that neither the State of Delaware, nor the Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, nor the Division of Fish and Wildlife, nor any state employee will assume any financial liability for any injury or illness that I, or any member in attendance with me, might incur while performing voluntary service for the Division of Fish and Wildlife.

(Signature of Applicant/Group Coordinator)

(Date)

Return completed form to:
Division of Fish and Wildlife
Wildlife Volunteer Program
6180 Haypoint Landing Rd.
Smyrna, DE 19977

Phone: 302-735-3600
Email: lynne.staub@hotmail.com

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control is committed to affirmative action, equal opportunity, and the diversity of its workforce.